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EVIN SHOAP/senior photographer

Benefit concert to give fire relief

BY RACHANA DIXIT
staff writer

An electrical mishap caused the fire at Mainstreet Bar and Grill on Oct. 30, Harrisonburg Fire Chief Larry Shifflett said.

On the north wall of the building there was a countertop separate from the bar with two shelves underneath it. On one of these shelves, Shifflett said there were numerous paper products, such as napkins and tickets, that were ignited by a nearby outlet.

Debi Newkirk, booking manager for Mainstreet Bar and Grill, said, "There were too many things plugged in behind the bar." Cash registers and lights were some of the items using that particular outlet.

An on-campus effort began to help contribute to the new building. 80 One Records is holding a benefit concert on Nov. 16 at 8 p.m. for an entrance fee of \$2.

“All the money will benefit downtown Harrisonburg and former Mainstreet employees.”

— Joel Mills
senior, 80 One Records

“All the money will benefit downtown Harrisonburg and former Mainstreet employees,” said senior Joel Mills, director of label promotions for 80 One Records.

The money used to benefit downtown Harrisonburg will be given to the Downtown Renaissance Foundation, an organization that does renovations of buildings in downtown Harrisonburg, Mills said.

Artists featured at this concert include Adelyn, Ross Copperman, Nathaniel Baker, Shapiro and Panoramic. Newkirk also said that they are trying to book bands at The Pub in Harrisonburg to give performers a venue, and Adelyn already has tentative dates for shows.

The HFD was notified of the fire because of the automatic fire alarm in the building. Mainstreet Bar and Grill did not have any sprinklers, Shifflett said, but was still up to regulation standards.

“When that structure was built, there was no requirement for a sprinkler system,” Shifflett said.

The first and second floors are completely uninhabitable and suffered fire, smoke and water damage.

Newkirk said the basement did not suffer as much damage as the other floors.

“There was no fire damage in the basement, but there was about three feet of water and smoke damage,” Shifflett said.

Newkirk said there is a plan to rebuild, but it would take between six months and a year to complete the building, once construction begins. It is up to the owners how they want to handle rebuilding.

High Hopes



KATHRYN GARIANO/staff photographer

The Student Duke Club gets excited at last week's 20-13 win against the University of Delaware.

A Bigger Game

Football takes on W&M for automatic bid

BY JAMES IRWIN
sports editor

No. 4 JMU looks to run its unbeaten streak to seven games Saturday when it hosts the No. 10-ranked College of William & Mary (7-2, 5-1) at Bridgeforth Stadium.

With a win, the Dukes will clinch the Atlantic 10's automatic bid to the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

“We’re totally focused on winning the league,” coach Mickey Matthews said. “We’re intent on beating William & Mary. This is a huge game.”

The Dukes are coming off last weekend's 20-13 victory over the University of Delaware Blue Hens. Senior cornerback Cortez Thompson returned a fourth quarter punt 87 yards for the game-winning touchdown and JMU's defense held the Blue Hens

Key players

11
Justin Rascati, quarterback

5
Cortez Thompson, cornerback

82
DD Boxley, wide receiver

21
Tony LeZotte, free safety

at bay after Delaware had first-and-goal at the JMU 3-yard line on the game's final drive.

The Dukes will look to carry that defensive momentum into their matchup with the Tribe's high-powered offense. William & Mary ranks No. 2 in the A-10 in scoring, averaging 33.4 points per game.

Tribe quarterback Lang Campbell enters Saturday's contest with the highest passing efficiency in the conference, having thrown 15 touchdowns and one interception this season.

“He’s the best quarterback in our league,” Matthews said. “He’s the reason they’re here.”

Offensively, Matthews said the Dukes are looking to improve from their performance against the Blue Hens, where JMU turned the ball over three times and mustered 166 yards of total offense.

“We were disappointed with how we played on offense,” Matthews said. “But we were not discouraged. I think all the injuries we’ve had came to a

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SGA gives money for culture show, fund raising

Bill proposes changing Senate to Parliament

BY GEARY COX
news editor

A constitutional reform bill proposed by senior Michael Dickie will wait another week to be introduced to the Student Government Association.

The Dickie Constitutional Bill calls for the current SGA Constitution to be stricken entirely and replaced with a new constitution. The replacement government would be a parliamentary system headed by a prime minister instead of a student body president.

The bill was entered into the agenda last week, but Dickie was not present at the SGA meeting.

Instead of an executive

treasurer, vice president of academic affairs and a vice president of student affairs, the Dickie Constitutional Bill calls for a chancellor of the exchequer, deputy prime minister and student minister.

“[This bill] is important because it starts the discussion on how we structure student government,” Dickie said. “It seems that we prefer imitating the national and state governments, rather than a flat system that would be far more effective.”

“The Senate is usually the last stop for new ideas... The Executive Council can pursue most actions without the Senate even hearing about it. When the Senate

disagrees with an executive decision, it has almost no power.”

The proposed changes will ensure that all members of the student government are at an equal level, Dickie said. The new governing system would allow student government opinions to be more reflective of the government as a whole and not just the Executive Council, he added.

Student Body President Tom Culligan said, “Essentially, the executive branch is not taking the proposal very seriously.” The Executive Council, Culligan said, does “not feel [the] proposed reforms would

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Members present ‘A Red Carpet Affair’

BY MARIA NOSAL
SGA reporter

The Asian Student Union received \$1,425 from contingency funds to help with a Wellness passport event the organization is sponsoring.

“The money will go toward our culture show,” said sophomore Christina Hoang, secretary of ASU.

“The purpose of the show is to spread Asian culture awareness to JMU and the surrounding community.”

Up ‘til Dawn also received \$2,694.50 from contingency funds.

“We are a fund-raising organization for St. Jude’s, a research hospital for children

with terminal illnesses,” said senior Emily Futrell, business director for Up ‘til Dawn. “This money is critical for us because we are only a fund-raising group.”

The Community Affairs committee of the Student Senate presented a project they are planning called “A Red Carpet Affair.”

“In this event, all Greek organizations — social, honor, service, business and academic — will compete for the coveted title of Mr. or Ms. Greek JMU and other cash and prizes, including a donation to philanthropy of their choice,” said junior Kathleen McKay, committee chair.

The money raised from the

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Sophomore



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"Annex Canada."



Paul McWhorter
Philosophy & math
Sophomore

"Get rid of your Cabinet, get out of office and let John Kerry take his rightful place."



Kevin Hasser
Theater & English
Sophomore

CAITLIN FRIEL
contributing photographer

DUKE DAYS Events Calendar

Thursday, Nov. 11

An International Bake Sale will be held on the Warren Hall patio and in Transitions in Warren Hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. by JMU's chapter of Amnesty International.

Psi Chi is sponsoring a psychology graduate school information night at 6:45 p.m. in Moody Hall, room BA. Faculty representatives will speak on behalf of JMU's seven psychology graduate programs. This event is open to all students interested in psychology graduate programs. Contact Kristina at austinkt with questions.

Submit your Duke Days of 50 words or less to www.breezenews@hotmail.com

Friday, Nov. 12

A One Team, One Community, One Vision Pep Rally is scheduled to begin at 6:20 p.m. on Hillside Field. The Pep Rally will support the nationally No. 4 Dukes in preparation of their home football game against No. 10-ranked College of William & Mary.

Saturday, Nov. 13

The Office of Admissions and Students for Minority Outreach will host Take A Look Day, a multicultural student open house. The event is a great opportunity for prospective students to come tour the campus, attend academic sessions and hear from current undergraduate students.

POLICE LOG

By SHARON SCHIFF/ news intern

Grand Larceny

A JMU employee reported the theft of a purple goal pad from Bridgeforth Stadium between Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 30 at 11:30 a.m.

A visitor to JMU reported that unknown person(s) removed an amplifier from a vehicle on Nov. 6 between 2 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

A JMU employee reported the theft of a "JMU" flag between Nov. 6 at 10 p.m. and Nov. 8 at 1 a.m.

Property Damage

A visitor to JMU reported damage to the side-view mirror of a vehicle parked in the R-1 lot between Nov. 7 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 8 at 8 a.m.

Petit Larceny

A JMU student reported the theft of an unattended JAC card from Festival/College Center on Nov. 5 between 12 and 12:05 p.m.

Total parking tickets since Aug. 19: 9,240

Total drunk in public since Aug. 19: 41

CORRECTION

In the Nov. 4 issue of *The Breeze*, the headline for the school of theatre and dance's "Chaucer in Rome" preview incorrectly attributed the play as being written by Shakespeare. The correct writer is John Guare.

In the Nov. 4 issue of *The Breeze*, the date of an incident of peeping was incorrectly published. Instead of Oct. 29, the date was reported as Nov. 29.

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AROUND CAMPUS

JMU publications win national recognition

Three publications from JMU won national recognition at the Associated College Press's national conference in Nashville, Tenn., last Saturday.

The Breeze placed third out of 41 competing newspapers in the national Best of Show category for its Oct. 28 issue. The Breeze also was a finalist in the Pacemaker competition for its 2003 year.

Curio magazine, created by the School of Media Arts and Design's feature magazine production class, won a Pacemaker award for its 2003 issue year.

Bluestone, JMU's yearbook, was a Pacemaker finalist for its 2003 issue.

Over 2,000 publications are considered each year for a Newspaper Pacemaker.

"This is a testament to the strength of our student publications," said Dave Wendleken, advisor to Curio.

P.R.I.D.E. training make-ups to be held

Make-up Madison P.R.I.D.E. training sessions will be held in Sonner Hall on Monday, Nov. 15 from 9 to 9:45 p.m.

Madison P.R.I.D.E. sends JMU students back to their high schools to recruit potential JMU students.

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For more information, visit www.jmu.edu/orgs/ambassadors/MadisonPride.shtml.

Towing off campus necessary for residents



AMY PATERSON/photo editor

Local towing companies operate to help keep parking open for residents.

Limited parking spaces available for visitors

By MEGAN ERHARDT
contributing writer

Towing may be an annoyance to students but is necessary for students, who live in off campus housing because it can be difficult to find parking spaces in apartment complexes.

"More visitor spots are always needed, but towing is necessary," said sophomore Alex Wile, who lives in the Commons. "We have trouble parking... sometimes."

South View, the Commons and Stone Gate all use Teter's Towing Company. "We give the towing company permission to tow on our property," said a South View office employee, Alexis Baker. "We do not receive reimbursements for the cars that they tow."

Gary Teter, the owner of Teter's Towing Company, said that his company tows cars parked illegally 24 hours a day, seven days a week. "We have three trucks total," Teter said. "There is no set number of cars we tow, sometimes 10 to 12 a night."

Ashby Crossing uses KAR Towing. KAR tows all week from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. The fee for towing is \$85. Keith Teter, the owner of KAR Towing, said that out of the six trucks

the company owns, two are used for the apartment parking lots on a regular basis.

"We are just doing our job," Keith Teter said. "It's amazing how mad some people get at us."

Ashby Crossing issues 50 guest parking passes each week at a cost of \$1 per pass, said senior Dan Whitacre, Ashby Crossing employee. No guest parking passes are issued in the Commons, South View, or Stone Gate.

"Visitor parking is available on a first come, first serve basis," Baker said. Extra parking has been added in these apartment complexes to aide visitors with parking.

According to Kevin Williams, the maintenance manager of the Commons, South View and Stone Gate, Stone Gate added two additional gravel lots for parking last year.

In the event that a car is towed, the towing company informs the police to avoid confusion with theft.

"The person should call the police with the license plate number [if you can't find your car]," Keith Teter said. "The officer can then tell you what company has your car and where they are located."

Study abroad programs offer new experiences

By STEPHANIE STRAUSS
staff writer

Early admission applications to JMU's study abroad programs for the spring semester are due by Nov. 15 and applications received after the deadline are likely to be wait listed, according to Felix Wang, director of international programs.

"The semester programs are pretty competitive," Wang said. "Florence is definitely one of the most competitive." He added that early admission applicants have a better chance of getting into the program of their choice than those who apply for regular admission.

"We are one of the leading univer-

sities in Virginia in offering the most study abroad programs," Wang said. He added that JMU offers more study abroad programs than Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia.

Wang said that the Office of International Programs accommodates students who would like to study in countries other than the ones JMU offers by helping students apply to external programs or to universities that offer programs to other countries.

There are generally about 30 openings for each program, Wang said, adding that the number is low because "it is easier for students to connect in smaller groups."

The cost of studying abroad depends

on the program, according to Wang. Students pay the cost of room, board, tuition and a program fee — which includes weekend excursions — hotel stays and museum entrance fees.

"I absolutely loved the program," junior Kelly Cunningham said. "Living with a [Spanish] family is a wonderful way to practice a foreign language every day."

Senior Jennifer Miller said, "JMU offered me four months to study in a foreign country, learn a new language, and embrace a culture unlike my own. It is not every day that you can learn about Michelangelo's David in class on Tuesday ... and see David for yourself on Thursday."

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GAME: Dukes to play W & M

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head. A much better offense will show up against William & Mary."

The Dukes will continue to try and wear down the opposition with their offensive line. Matthews said a reason for JMU's success has been its ability to take control in the second half.

"We're outscoring teams in the second half," Matthews said. "Every game, if we didn't win it in the fourth quarter, we took the game over with six or seven minutes left."

The Dukes have followed that pattern to a six-game winning streak that has all but assured them a playoff berth. However, Matthews said they are not satisfied.

"Maybe our goal in September was to make the playoffs," Matthews said. "But right now we want to be the Atlantic 10's automatic, and we want to win 10 games in a year. We don't feel like we've accomplished a lot right now."

Matthews said attitude is what has propelled the Dukes to the top of the A-10.

"It's the most competitive group of youngsters I've ever been around," Matthews said. "That's why we're having a successful season."

As was the case against Delaware, Matthews said the JMU crowd might play a role in the outcome of Saturday's game.

"I would anticipate a larger crowd against William & Mary," Matthews said. "When you realize what's on the line, it doesn't get any more important. The William & Mary game is bigger than the Delaware game."

The Dukes and the Tribe square off at 12:05 p.m.

SGA: Tuition rates affordable for in- and out-of-state students

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event will help "The Big Event," a school-wide community service effort taking place in the spring semester, according to McKay.

Senior Hunter Hanger, student representative to the Board of Visitors, spoke to the SGA about the most recent Board of Visitors meeting. Hanger said the three main areas discussed were diversity, financial resources and private support.

"Diversity is something we lack at JMU and something we are pushing for," Hanger said. "A couple of the points of progress that we've made are there is now a recruiter in Richmond to recruit diverse students from Richmond city schools and southern Virginia."

JMU is in the top 25 percent of most

affordable schools to go to both in and out of state, Hanger said. Even with tuition increases, JMU has been able to keep prices reasonable and is able to give pay raises to their professors, Hanger said.

Hanger said he explored the lack of a double punch available on weekends, and that JMU is the only institution to offer double punches. "Aramark isn't making bank," he said.

In the area of private support, the Board of Visitors discussed the issue of chartered schools. "The Virginia Legislative is looking to make [the University of Virginia, College of William & Mary] and Virginia Tech chartered schools, which would have a great impact on JMU in the future," Hanger said. "But, there [is] no definite on anything right now."

BILL: Opinions debated

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benefit the student body in any real way?"

The proposed changes will ensure that all members of the student government are at an equal level, Dickie said. The new governing system would allow student government opinions to be more reflective of the government as a whole and not just the Executive Council, he added.

Although Student Senate rules do not stipulate that a sponsoring senator must be present to have a bill introduced into the Senate, senior Krissy Schnebel, speaker of the Student Senate, delayed the bill until Dickie is present to read it.

"In the past, bills have been read with their authors absent without questions being raised," Dickie said of the delay. "I would contend that the physical

presence of a member is inconsequential to the introduction of any resolution."

When his bill is introduced, Dickie said he will enter a motion to move the bill to committee. "I believe there is more work to be done to develop a workable system ... There should be greater willingness to introduce matters before the Senate in their formative stages so that everyone can be allowed to participate in the discourse."

At next week's meeting, the Student Senate will consider another constitutional reform bill that revises the process by which groups receive funding through front-end budgeting and contingency funds.

Copies of all legislations proposed to the Senate are available through the SGA Web site, <http://sga.jmu.edu>.



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- Semester in Florence
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- Semester in Salamanca



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If you have already applied to study abroad, you must still submit a letter of consideration and the Universal Scholarship Submission Cover Sheet by November 15, 2004.

Notification of awards will be made by December 20, 2004.

For further information about applying for this special scholarship or for any questions, please contact the Office of International Programs or visit the OIP scholarship website at http://www.jmu.edu/international/abroad/finaid_jmu_scholarships.shtml



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HOUSE EDITORIAL

'Harry Potter' class good use of pop culture

J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series of books has spawned movies, merchandise and, now, a JMU English class.

Elisabeth Gumnior will teach the GWRIT 103 class next semester and will address the deeper arguments within the fictional books, as well as literary criticisms and analysis of the novels. Rowling's books are targeted at a much younger audience than the college-age crowd, but they have avid fans of all ages. By acknowledging popular culture, the English department has succeeded in making its lessons current and appealing to students.

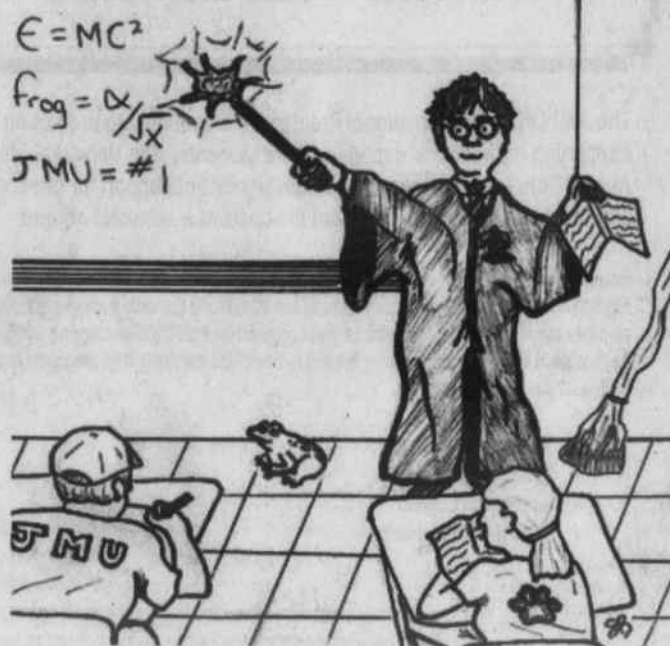
Classes that study topics out of the ordinary are indications of a strong program. The English department is not afraid to take a chance on what could be perceived as a somewhat silly or childish class — it, presumably, is confident that its faculty will present the same thorough battery of information, regardless of whether it is teaching Beowulf or Harry Potter. It is important that students keep in mind that, even though they may find a class based on Harry Potter appealing, it still will be as academically

rigorous as more traditional English classes.

It also is important that an English department be able to determine what new books warrant its attention as potential new classics. It will take many years for Harry Potter to either be truly regarded as a piece of classic literature — or forgotten as a fad. At the very least, however, JMU has made a positive effort to engage its students with something they are at least familiar with in passing.

Classic literature is important and should not be neglected in favor of popular novels, but books destined to shelf lives much longer than our own do arise. When they do, it is important for educators to recognize them and integrate them into their lessons. Students should not view this class as a reason to abandon Shakespeare or other traditional literature — new lessons can never replace old ones, but rather add to them.

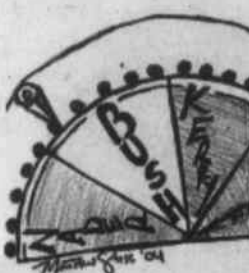
Time will tell how Rowling is remembered among her peers in English literature, but the JMU English department is using her current popularity to effectively teach JMU students basic lessons about English literature.



BREEZE PERSPECTIVES

Choosing president not like cheering your team

CORY REYMAN
contributing writer



We all remember the atmosphere around campus throughout the entire Yankees/Red Sox series. Emotions were running extremely high, and neither side wanted to see their team lose. The loser and their fans were guaranteed to be humiliated for failing to achieve the victory they had spent millions on in 2004. I, an admitted Yankees fan, did not enjoy watching my team lose. I felt terrible, and it was impossible to escape those gloating Sox fans. But, I could always reassure myself that it was just a game and that we would have our shot at the title again next year. Win or lose, it was just a game.

Now, reread that last paragraph and replace the word "Yankees" with Kerry and "Red Sox" with Bush. The paragraph makes complete sense until you reach the sentence about me being able to reassure myself that it's just a game — because the election is not a game. If you look at how people acted and reacted to the election, it is — unfortunately — almost impossible to distinguish the two. There were cars driving down the street honking, people out on balconies shouting and high-fiving each other, and a general attitude of "take that" by people supporting President Bush. All this while Kerry supporters pondered how this could happen, dreading the taunts they surely will receive from Republicans the next day and hoping that some ruling will be announced that can overturn the outcome.

With that in mind, let me pose a question to you: If taxes go up, if there is another terrorist attack or if there is a draft, will people who supported Kerry start throwing parties and jeering at all the people who supported Bush? Will everyone be overjoyed that the other "team" is not doing well? No. This is the fatal flaw with our media and with our general attitude throughout the election

process, because we're all lead by the same team now. Everyone needs to stop acting like fans and start being supporters. Political groups are presented as sports teams now, but you support your party and you vote for a candidate. The media airs shows like "Crossfire" and "Hardball" which are designed to split people — to make them hate the other side. What we forget is that people are benevolent in nature when it comes to hurt this country or the people in it. As someone who supported Kerry, I can honestly say that I have no bitter indignation, and I refuse to be stubborn over the next four years. The next time you come across someone from the opposite party (meaning Democrats or Republicans, because I'm not going to even touch the flawed two-party system in this article), don't close your mind to what they have to say, doing so fuels this media system that keeps people out of touch with one another.

I'm not telling everyone to support Bush, but instead accept his presidency and voice your opinions on how to better society. We need to unite as a generation, because we are the future of this country. The media keeps us from discerning what should be done and forces people to divide on every possible issue in order to create competition and controversy so that shows like "Crossfire" can exist. Those who turn politics into a sport are stepping in the wrong direction, and holding back the progress of all mankind.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cheerleaders look beyond election issues

I felt the Nov. 4 article didn't explain my — or any of our — reasons for performing anti-voting cheers.

I'm not another apathetic youth, age 18 to 29. I don't vote because I care. I care so much that I work every day to make the world a better place — not once every year or every four years. I urge people to live every day as a vote.

At the polls, we kept chanting, "Our dreams do not fit in their ballot boxes."

I dream of a world where I can walk home late at night without worrying every stranger on the street may rape me. I dream of a world where I can laugh with friends without the government listening. I dream of a world where corporate grocery stores — and privileged college kids — stop throwing away food; a world where a warm meal is a right — not a privilege. I dream of a world where I won't worry about getting sick, because everybody will have health care. I dream of a world where Palestinian children don't live in terror of being murdered by Israeli soldiers. I dream of a world where Iraqis can live free from an invading army from a foreign country halfway around the world.

I dream of a world filled with peace, community, laughter and joy. I will never dream of a world that contains injustices, racism, classism, sexism, homophobia, fear or rulers. My dreams will never fit in their ballot boxes, and I don't want them to.

Suzanne Garrett
member, Rocktown Radical Cheerleaders

not some bureaucrat in Washington, D.C. I was disappointed by Clinton's reelection, but it was only for four years. While I disagreed with most of his policies, I lived a happy and successful four years and was ready to fight back through the ballot box when election time came around.

Mark Ehlers
senior, history major

Retirement home thanks volunteers

JMU students are a big help as volunteers to Sunnyside Retirement Community and other Valley Volunteer Forum members. They do such a tremendous job in Harrisonburg that there is a big void when they go home.

There are numerous volunteers who come to Sunnyside and help. They exemplify good manners and respect whenever they are here. They ask for more to do and then thank me for the opportunity.

I am proud of the new young adults who show the spirit of volunteerism and serving others. Some come for community service-learning hours that a teacher requires as part of their grade, but they end up wanting to do more after their 15 hours are done. Others come just because they want to reach out and they've heard that they can do that at Sunnyside. They learn from the residents, and the residents benefit greatly from their energy. It is a win-win situation for all, and I would like to thank them for their efforts.

Maria Bridgewater
Volunteer coordinator
Sunnyside Retirement Community

Right to vote should not be protested

I can't even describe the words that came to my mind upon seeing the front page on Nov. 4. Four JMU female students given the privilege of being on the front page for telling people not to vote? Instead of putting a picture of the people who were exercising their right to vote, we put four girls promoting anarchy on the front page? It makes me so angry to see where our country has gone. The right to vote wasn't just handed to us so that we could throw it back in the government's face. Of course, white men always had the right to vote, but women weren't given that right until 1920, and they fought tooth and nail to gain that right. Women such as Lucy Burn, Dora Lewis, Alice Cosu and about 30 more women were taken to a Virginia prison because they picketed Woodrow Wilson's White House for the right to vote. They were imprisoned for weeks and subjected to beatings from prison guards. They were tortured for weeks until word leaked out to the press. In the 2000 election, more than 40 million women didn't vote. Even if 10 percent of them had voted, that's enough to make a difference. Have some respect for the fact that these women fought hard for your right to vote — don't throw it in the trash. Respect the fact that they risked their lives and choose to vote. This election is over, but there are many more to come.

Emily Cook
senior, international affairs

For better or worse, president only serves four years

I woke up this morning and found that my hall had been vandalized sometime during the night of Nov. 3 with crudely worded signs calling for the assassination of President Bush. In my lifetime, I have never seen so much virulent hatred directed at one man for so little cause. In the past year, the spiteful attacks on our president have ranged from books encouraging his murder to movies and rap songs filled with outrageous propaganda depicting the president as a warmongering robber baron, to Web sites likening Bush to Nazi dictator Adolf Hitler.

It is certainly understandable to be upset that your candidate lost. As a young conservative, I know that I was crushed when President Clinton won a second term in 1996. It is not acceptable, however, for people to go around calling for the assassination of our elected leader. We live in a country that allows us to battle in the arena of ideas. If you do not like the president and his policies, then go and persuade the American people that your ideas are better.

Your happiness in life should not be determined by who wins an election. Only you can bring out the best in yourself,

Place should be made for post-game festivities

We have a problem, JMU: Our goal posts aren't detachable. As a school, we are stepping into new territory for which we prove unprepared. After years of having national championship archery teams and the world-class Marching Royal Dukes, we now have a team bringing thousands of students together to watch a game at Bridgeforth Stadium.

Now I will open a challenge to the Administration, the Athletics Marketing Team and our entire student body. Since we can't remove the goal posts, what tradition can we create at JMU to celebrate our hard-earned wins?

I propose we have space on Godwin field or several other places on campus to set up some music and festivities for a post-game celebration at least once a year, not including Homecoming. It's insurance that we don't have a mob get out of hand on the field, it's insurance we don't destroy part of the stadium and it's an investment into our school spirit.

Keven Adams
senior, physics/marketing

'Crusade' name carries weight of tradition

Jeff Stottlemeyer's letter on Nov. 4 raised an interesting question concerning the choice of name for 'Campus Crusade for Christ.' Indeed, the name itself has almost become taboo, taking on forms such as 'Cru' or 'Crusade,' very seldom being spoken of by its full title. But what we lose with the use of these idioms in the sense that 'Campus Crusade for Christ' is not just a small local group of evangelical Christians, but rather is an international organization with over 50 years of history. The point here is that we can now see clearer that the word 'crusade' itself carried a far different connotation in 1951 than it does today, and so we cannot place the blame on founders Bill and Vonette Bright.

We should be happy to know the organization has since debated the possibility of a name change. But I would like for Stottlemeyer to consider the great loss of continued support and association if a worldwide organization, with 25,000 staff witnessing in 196 different countries, were to change its name. We are so blessed in this country to freely read, share and believe in the word of God that simply changing the name of our organization would have little effect, but this is not the case in many of these other 196 countries. Many of these ministries exist in very hostile parts of the world and this identity is crucial to their success that they "may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith" (Romans 1:12).

Walter Thomas
junior, philosophy major

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BREEZE PERSPECTIVES

New term marked by Republican control

PATRICK CALLAHAN
contributing writer

Americans once again went to bed on election night not knowing who their future president would be in the morning. A little over half of the voters in this year's presidential election woke up pleased, while a little less than half woke up with a dismal outlook for the future.

People across the globe waited anxiously to hear the results, and many quickly voiced their opinions thereafter. Some European leaders confessed to putting away their champagne bottles, while other leaders around the world rejoiced at the continuation of U.S.-led conflicts in the Middle East aimed at stopping terrorism. It was no secret that this election held the hopes and dreams of a world filled with conflict. Americans went to the polls not just to determine the fate of their fellow Americans, but of the world abroad.

So what exactly does the world have to look forward to now that Bush has been re-elected? For starters, an offensive in Fallujah, Iraq that was stalled until after the election. After gaining his 'political capital,' President Bush intends to spend it by maintaining his current foreign policy agenda. Unfortunately, the same foreign policy has resulted in the virtual abandonment of the United States by the rest of the world. Don't expect to see the numbers of non-American troops in Iraq increase.

Furthermore, this style of bullying into submission those nations who do not meet the Bush Administration's criteria of a non-terrorist state only will lead to additional conflicts. Iran — whose parliament recently

stood up in large numbers to chant "Death to America" — and North Korea — who the Bush Administration has refused to even speak to — both are likely targets for the next wave of Bush's righteous cleansing of the "axis of evil."

This expanded war on terror will require more troops and more funds. Soldiers are already being stretched thin, underpaid and overworked. And if recruitment does not increase significantly, a draft will become a real possibility. Funds will have to come from a cutback of government spending on domestic programs like health care or education, or from an increase in the deficit. The money won't come from taxes since Bush has vowed to continue his tax cuts.

With control of the executive branch and a majority in both houses of Congress, Republicans now are likely to pursue their ideological agenda. This means an anti-gay marriage amendment, bans on stem cell research and stricter abortion laws are all possibilities. It also means more restricted lands will likely be opened up to oil drilling, more civil liberties will likely be lost with the renewal of the Patriot Act, Social Security will disappear, health care costs will keep rising, jobs will continue to be outsourced and college students will receive no new federal funding to help curve the dramatic increases in the cost of tuition.

In short, it's going to be a long four years. The true test of strength and ingenuity will be seen in how the coming generation of Americans solves the problems today's leaders have created for them.

Patrick Callahan is an undeclared freshman.

THE BONEYARD

'Jeopardy' winner next candidate

TRAVIS JONES
senior writer

Watching the election all last Tuesday night on through Wednesday morning, I eventually came to realize that the wrong man would be elected. George W. Bush should not have been re-elected — and John F. Kerry certainly should not have been elected. "Are you taking crazy pills?" you may be asking me right now. Well, no, I am not. The man that should step into the Oval Office is none other than Ken Jennings — a.k.a. "The Jeopardy Guy."

Jennings has won nearly 70 straight "Jeopardy" games, earning well over \$2 million. He has answered over 4 trillion of Alex Trebek's clues correctly, while answering only two wrong (these numbers are merely estimates). Ken "Dreamboat" Jennings is a machine. I have no doubt in my mind that if, in a real game of "Jeopardy," Trebek gave the clue, "The solution to all of America's problems," Ken would, without hesitation, respond with the most astonishing, dead-on, correct reply — in the form of a question, of course.

What is not to love about America's new favorite son, Ken Jennings? Every day I look forward to that moment at 7:30 p.m. when they introduce him and announce his overall winnings; Ken just adorably shakes his head and shines that cute, bashful, pearly white smile of his. Ken is a software engineer



from Utah and is a devout Mormon. Much like that delightful, pink Energizer bunny keeps going and going, the delightful Ken Jennings keeps winning and winning — and by large margins. Have you been watching this guy? He makes the other contestants look like they're Sean Connery or Burt Reynolds straight out of "Saturday Night Live's" "Celebrity Jeopardy." I love how, on "Daily Doubles," he pauses for a moment and makes a funny face pretending he doesn't know the answer and then he just seems to pull the correct response out of thin air. "Oh, I don't know Alex, Who is... Gene Berdichevsky?" Nails it every time.

Unfortunately, not everyone loves Ken Jennings — I call these people player-haters. These player-haters view Ken as a little pipsqueak and they have the perpetual urge to punch him in the face. Fox has even approached Jennings about doing a new TV show called, "Who Wants to Hit a Millionaire in the Head with a Baseball Bat?" Just kidding — but if they did, we all know Ken would be smart enough to decline the offer. Many player-haters are bit-

ter they do not know the capital of Kazakhstan, yet my boy Ken knows it like the back of his hand ("What is Astana?"). "Ken Jennings isn't so smart, he's just a little pipsqueak; I could maul him," senior Patrick Furey, a JMU student and player-hater, claims. Well Patrick, I think Ken — much like a puma — would do the mauling in a game of "Jeopardy."

Love him or hate him, Ken Jennings clearly deserves to be president. But I am a realist — George W. Bush will run the country for the next four years, so let me be the first to say vote Ken Jennings in 2008. The now mustache-less Alex Trebek will know his role — to serve as Ken's vice president. Perhaps, instead of this Electoral College garbage, the presidency can be determined by a game of "Jeopardy." All of the categories can even be political — it won't matter. Once Ken gets in his "Jeopardy" zone — much like the Terminator — he can't be stopped. The best presidential candidate for 2008 — "Who is Ken Jennings?"

Travis Jones is a senior kinesiology major.

DARTS & Pats

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From two poor sophomore girls who were delighted for the extra cash.

A "thanks-from-the-community" pat to the JMU students who had a really cool haunted house for the neighborhood children.
From an Old Town mom who complains about loud parties but recognizes that there are lots of good things about coexisting with college students.

A "you-are-angels" pat to the students who stopped and offered me assistance after I sprained my ankle in the parking lot.
From the faculty member who wonders why so many people walked by me lying on the sidewalk.

A "way-to-be-shortsighted" dart to all the girls at JMU who have tattoos on the small of their back.
From your angry fetus who is going to cause you great pain when you can't get an epidural.

A "way to predict the future" dart to The Breeze for reporting the peeping tom incident that will occur on Nov. 29 at 8:39 a.m.
From three junior guys who find it funny that proofreading is not a requirement.

A "I'm-tired-of-your-immaturity" dart to the three guys who spray-painted my spare tire pink and rolled it down Devon Lane.
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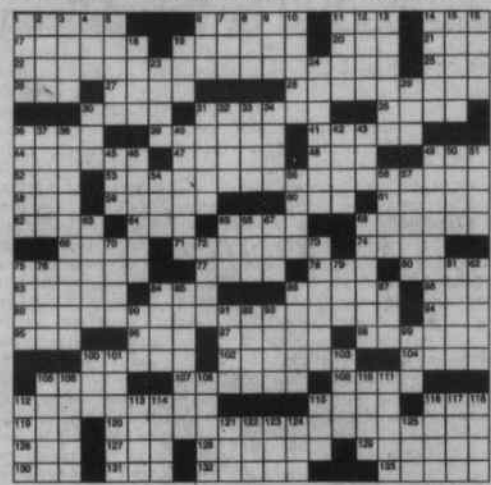
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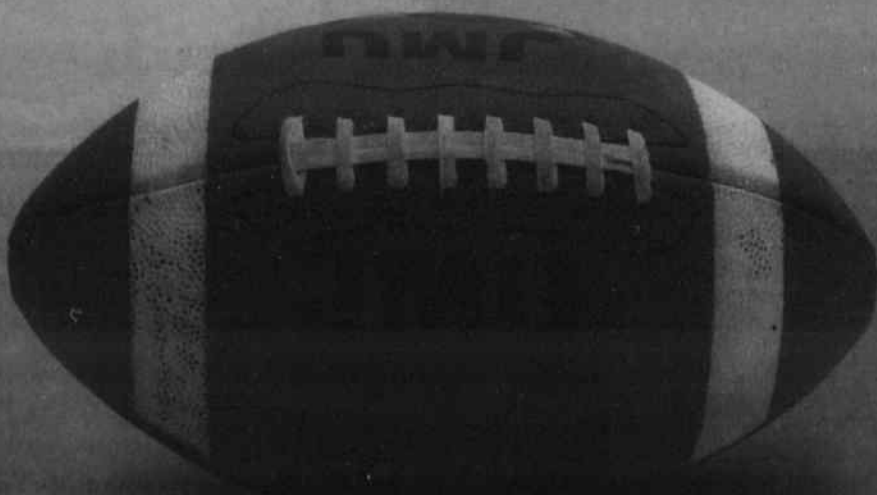
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LEADERS of the Pack

Student Ambassadors enrich JMU's past, present, future

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As some students geared up for a relaxing Friday afternoon, a group of prospective high school juniors and seniors were greeted outside Sonner Hall by student tour guides. Sophomore Mary Mason Wright and Jenna Krauss led a tour of eight people through campus. As they carefully walked backwards beside Newman Lake, past Mrs. Greens and into Zane Showker Hall, they stated facts about JMU's academics and encouraged questions from the group. As the tour progressed through the west side of campus, people walked or drove by, some shouting out pleas for the tour participants to come to JMU. As members of Student Ambassadors, tours are just one of many things members do to contribute to the JMU community.

Student Ambassadors is a club full of enthusiastic students working to benefit campus. "First, we're ambassadors to the university, if it will help the university in any way," said president and senior Lawson Ricketts. "Our motto is 'Students serving students, past, present and future.'"

Originally known as the Student Alumni Association in the '80s, the organization changed its name in 1994 to Student Ambassadors. Now, instead of solely existing for the benefit of alumni, ambassadors serves prospective and current students, as well as alumni.

They are involved with many different activities at JMU and within the Harrisonburg community. A recent project was Madison P.R.I.D.E., where students were trained to return to their high schools and talk about JMU. Another was a "Senior Prom" thrown at Loyaltown Nursing Home. Each year, they also sponsor Operation Santa Claus to raise money and provide gifts to needy Harrisonburg children.

Student Ambassadors receives many applications from JMU students. Once accepted, new members train throughout the spring semester. After a month of shadowing tours and practicing, they begin giving tours alone.

"When I gave my first tour, I was so nervous, my voice was shaky and I ran into a pole outside of one of the residence halls, but — thankfully — only my pride was hurt," Wright said. "I thought it hadn't gone very well and then later that week, I got an e-mail from a girl saying that she was coming to JMU because she liked my tour so much. Needless to say, I was ecstatic."

In fact, these tours are what student ambassadors are most known for. However, the tours aren't pulled off without a lot of hard work behind the scenes. Each year, ambassadors are provided with a tour manual prepared by the Office of Administration, giving current facts about the university. "We have to memorize facts about each academic building, student service information, General Education, sports, UREC, class sizes, student to teacher ratios, fun facts about the sun dial and kissing rock and everything in between," Wright said.

In addition to memorizing facts, tour guides must stop at five different places: a dining hall, a residence hall, an academic building, Carrier Library, Taylor and Warren Hall. Aside from this, the rest of the tour is left up to the guides. "Everyone's tour is a little different because they tell different stories," Ricketts said.

"They give personal stories. I tell stories for example about freshman year and D-hall favorites."

On Wright and Krauss' tour, the pair enjoyed sharing lesser-known facts about JMU. As the tour passed over the railroad tracks, Wright told a story of the student who thought it would be funny to ride the train to his next class. "He didn't realize that when it got to the outskirts of campus it sped up. He had to ride it all the way to Charlottesville," he said.

As the tour entered the final stages on the Quad, the guides pointed to the famous kissing rock. Wright said when JMU was an all women's school, each dorm had a dorm mother who approved and checked out the dates and insisted the girls

return by 8 p.m. The only place to have a goodnight kiss where the dorm mother wouldn't see was behind the kissing rock. According to the myth, Wright said, whoever you kiss on the rock, you will marry.

Ricketts said that some of the funniest moments on her tours involved girls' dads. "Many times students will yell out of their dorms, 'Give us your daughters!' And, of course, there are horror stories of tripping while walking backwards," he added. However, all these memorable moments only add to the benefits the ambassadors receive from the club.

As the tour drew to a close at the James Madison statue, Wright and Krauss shared with the group reasons they chose to attend JMU. The tour participants agreed that the tour would definitely influence their decision to attend James Madison. High school junior Thomas Queen, of Richmond, said he enjoyed the enthusiasm of the guides and that they answered a lot of questions. "It was very well done," his father Bill Queen said. "We have done a couple of others, but this was much better. It was longer, covered more things and was much more personal."

Though there are many positive aspects of being part of the organization, ambassadors say the best part of the group is the people. Many have met their best friends in the organization.

"They, in my opinion, are some of the most amazing people I've met on this campus, and I am so proud to be able to share this experience with them," Wright said.

McCrack agreed. "It's been so wonderful being part of a group with such passionate people who love this school so much. I feel so blessed to be part of an organization that gets to have such a big impact on this campus."

Sophomore Mary Mason Wright gives a tour Friday afternoon.

TOUR TIDBITS LEGENDS TOLD BY AMBASSADORS

- Hillcrest was at one point the president's house and one year when a fraternity was playing rugby, the guys went back to the frat house all gross and muddy, they realized that their water had been turned off. They decided that because Dr. Carrier had an open-door policy, they would go to his house and see if they could shower there. They went to his house and Mrs. Carrier answered, and she let 30 frat guys use her showers and her nice white towels. A month later the Carriers moved off campus.
- Tunnels run underneath the Quad and when JMU was an all women's school, students would walk in the tunnels on really cold or rainy days to get back and forth from class. The tunnels are now closed, but students sometimes try to find entrances to them.
- The Wilson steps are special — they were built with water main pipes running underneath the steps. So on really cold days, students will sometimes sit on them to stay warm in between classes.
- When Roop Hall was built, the architect that was designing the building was also designing a building for Virginia Tech and he got the buildings' plans confused — so JMU has one of Tech's buildings and they have one of ours.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Dukes earn at-large bid to NCAA tournament

BY JOHN GALLE
staff writer

The Dukes earned an at-large bid into the 2004 NCAA tournament and will play Atlantic Coast Conference champion the University of Virginia in a first-round match 5 p.m. Friday in Charlottesville.

JMU's Colonial Athletic Association championship hopes were spoiled by Virginia Commonwealth University in the tournament semifinals, losing 2-1 in overtime Oct. 12.

"We dominated in the VCU game," coach David Lombardo said. "They got a lucky goal in overtime, which was unfortunate."

JMU wasn't expecting the bid into the NCAA tournament.

"We thought we needed to at least get to the conference finals to have a shot," Lombardo said.

Instead, for the first time since 1995, three teams from the CAA were invited to the NCAA tournament: VCU, the College of William & Mary and JMU.

The NCAA bid was an accomplishment in itself, Lombardo said. The Dukes finished the season with an overall record of 11-7-3.

"It is a validation that you are one of the better teams in your conference," Lombardo said. "It is a reward. Every team is looking for a chance to win a championship and extend their season."

In the seven times JMU has qualified for the NCAA tournament, three of them have come from at-large bids.

"It shows the level of respect that our program has gained over the years," Lombardo said.

The Dukes earned the bid with their strength of schedule. JMU defeat-

ed Southeastern Conference power the University of Alabama 2-1 earlier this season and played another SEC power the University of South Carolina, losing 3-2, Lombardo said.

The Dukes also played nationally ranked Penn State to a scoreless tie.

JMU last squared off with UVA (16-2-2) in the middle of a six-game road trip during the regular season and suffered a 5-0 loss. However, a red card issued to JMU forced the Dukes to play a man down for the remaining 56 minutes of play. At the time of the red card, JMU was down 1-0.

"The UVA game left our players with the nagging question of what would have been," Lombardo said. "Now they have a chance to answer that."

"Nobody is simply happy to be here. We've gotten this far through being competitive; everyone wants to win."



FILE PHOTO
Freshman midfielder Melanie Schaffer takes a shot during JMU's 1-0 victory over GMU in the CAA tournament. JMU plays Virginia Friday in the opening round of the NCAA tournament.

No. 10 WILLIAM & MARY AT No. 4 JMU

Dukes vanquish Blue Hens, await Tribe

Goal-line stand preserves win

BY MATTHEW STOSS
assistant sports editor

The game billed as the biggest in JMU football history came down to the final minute.

The No. 6-ranked University of Delaware had driven from its own 27-yard line to the JMU 3, where the Dukes' defense came up with a goal-line stand — inducing three straight incompletions from Delaware quarterback Sonny Riccio with 42 seconds to play, closing out the 20-13 JMU win.

"This is the biggest one," coach Mickey Matthews said. "We beat the defending national champions. It doesn't get much better than that."

After the Blue Hens tied it up at 13 apiece with a field goal in the third quarter, the JMU special teams made its two biggest plays of the afternoon. First, senior wide safety Rodney McCarter blocked JMU's second kick of the day when he got a hold of a UD-attempted field goal.

"Never in my years have I seen anyone with such a knack for blocking kicks," Matthews said. "His explosion is just uncanny."

The Dukes failed to capitalize on the block, going three and out and punting on the ensuing possession.

Then, with three minutes to go, redshirt senior cornerback Cortez Thompson returned a punt 87 yards, dashing down the sideline for the game-winning score.

"It was a return left call and I just tried to make the best of it," Thompson said.

Saturday, the Dukes were dominated in most offensive categories.

In total offense, JMU gained 166 yards to Delaware's 466. JMU was out-rushed, compiling 63 yards to the Hens' 174 — 162 of those yards coming from freshman Omar Cuff.

"I know we finished with more points, and that's all I care about," redshirt junior defensive tackle Frank Cobbs said.

However, JMU did rack up 349 return yards off three punts, two

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CAROLYN WALSER/senior photographer

Senior cornerback Cortez Thompson's 87-yard punt return for a touchdown provided the decisive points in JMU's 20-13 win over Delaware.

McCarter's kick-blocking ability adds to his value

BY MATTHEW STOSS
assistant sports editor

Special teams. The title indicates preferential, but they are often neglected in favor of touchdowns, 100-yard rushing games and sacks. Yet, they are special — so special they can alter the very makeup of a game, especially the kick block.

"It's a quite a weapon," coach Mickey Matthews said. "Teams are very nervous about field goals and punts because it's so effective."

On JMU's special teams, the reigning kick block king is senior wide safety Rodney McCarter. The 5-foot-10-inch, 190-pound Philadelphia native has blocked two field goals this season. The first came against the University of Massachusetts Oct. 9 and the second in last weekend's 20-13 win over the University of Delaware. For his career, McCarter has blocked seven.

In 2003, he blocked a point-after attempt at Virginia Tech and field goal try against Hofstra University. In 2002, McCarter got a

hold of kicks against Villanova University and the Blue Hens.

"It's all about coming hard and if you come free, you better get it," McCarter said. "When I come around the corner, [the coaching staff] expects me to get it every time."

And what makes McCarter so adept?

"There are two reasons," Matthews said. "The first thing he does is get a great takeoff. We taught him to watch the center's hands because they quiver on field goals and punts before the snap."

The second thing is being able to change direction after coming around the end.

"He has the ability to bend at full speed, and that's extremely rare," Matthews said. "For most people, it's two different motions."

"The hesitation costs guys the shot — it's a 90-degree turn."

Like many things, kick blocking is dependent on a certain mentality that includes a sort of reckless

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AMY PATERSON/photo editor

Senior wide safety Rodney McCarter has seven career blocked kicks.

MEN'S SOCCER

JMU ready for CAA tournament clash with Monarchs

BY JORDAN SCAMBOS
assistant sports editor

No. 18 JMU's 2-1 victory at George Mason University Friday earned them the second seed and a first round bye in this weekend's Colonial Athletic Association tournament. Now the team will head for Richmond to take on this season's most daunting adversary — the away venue.

Results from the past two years seem to suggest that the Dukes have trouble away from Harrisonburg. Their conference record at home over the past two seasons stands at 9-1. Their conference away record over

that stretch is 3-4-2. The team is confident its level of play has remained high on the road, despite the results.

"We knew the end of our schedule was going to be tough," coach Tom Martin said.

The Dukes ended the regular season with five-straight conference away games. While both conference defeats came over that odyssey, the losses have been followed by conference wins.

The first fault of the season, 1-0 at Old Dominion University, was followed by an overtime win at the College of William & Mary with a one-man disadvantage.

"That win against William &

Mary was big for team morale and really showed our team's character," Martin said.

Coming off a loss and a lengthy stretch of away games, the Dukes jockeyed for position in the CAA. Their first round tournament bye was secured with a 2-1 victory against GMU.

"[GMU] needed that win to get into the tournament, but we battled through," Martin said. "That win was just as big [as the W&M win] for us."

With five-straight away games, three of which were against CAA tournament teams, the Dukes have endured the worst.

"If you can handle that kind of

adversity, you'll be stronger for it," Martin said. "We met that adversity and it has made us stronger."

With a ticket into Friday night's semifinals, the Dukes now look to avenge their loss to ODU. The Monarchs advanced on Tuesday night, dispatching W&M 2-0 at Richmond.

The other side of the bracket will match tournament host Virginia Commonwealth University against Hofstra University. Hofstra is responsible for the Dukes' only other loss this season.

JMU and ODU play Friday in Richmond at 8 p.m. The winner advances to Sunday's CAA tournament championship game.



FILE PHOTO
Freshman midfielder Lasse Kokko and the Dukes take on Old Dominion University Friday.

Football Picks OF THE Week

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confidence because getting kicked in the chest is a very real possibility.

"I think a lot of people close their eyes," McCarter said. "Sometimes I do, and I don't even see the ball."

McCarter gives a lot of the credit to redshirt senior linebacker Trey Townsend, who also occupies a spot on the blocking unit.

"They take the wing completely out because he comes so hard," McCarter said. "We talk about it at every field goal. We

always try to get one."

McCarter has been so good on special teams that the past two years, he has been elected the special teams Most Valuable Player by his teammates.

"Every year, the players vote on an MVP for offense, defense and the kicking game," Matthews said. "Usually, the kicker would win that, but it's been Rodney. That's how good he is at his craft."

When looking to get an advantage, McCarter doesn't go to his team's kickers for advice.

"I don't ever talk to the kickers," he said. "We try to block them, so we don't want to talk to them about it and cheat."

This year, the Dukes have blocked five kicks and 16 in the past three years, including seven in 2002.

Others dashing the hopes and dreams of kickers include redshirt junior strong safety Bruce Johnson, junior cornerback Clint Kent and sophomore linebacker Akeem Jordan.

"We've blocked so many kicks this year that it's getting contagious," Matthews said.

HENS: Dukes disrupt Hens' roost

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kickoffs and three interceptions. Delaware managed 34.

"We spent an unusual amount of time on the kicking game [in practice] — all phases," Matthews said. "Returns, blocking kicks, coverage because we thought they were great at returning kicks."

The Dukes missed injured tailbacks redshirt sophomores Alvin Banks and Maurice

Fenner. Banks has been out since Oct. 2 with a broken leg. Fenner separated his shoulder against the Virginia Military Institute.

In their stead, JMU turned to redshirt junior Raymond Hines and redshirt freshman Antoine Bolton. Against UD, the tandem was held to a minimum. Hines finished with 26 yards on 13 carries and a touchdown. Bolton had 3 yards on three touches.

"We were without two of our backs and our starting right guard," redshirt sophomore quarterback Justin Rascati said. "I don't know if they stopped us totally, but they did a good job."

With the win, JMU moves into sole possession of first place in the Southern Division of the Atlantic 10, at 6-0 (8-1 overall). Delaware falls to 5-1 in the A-10 and 6-3 overall.

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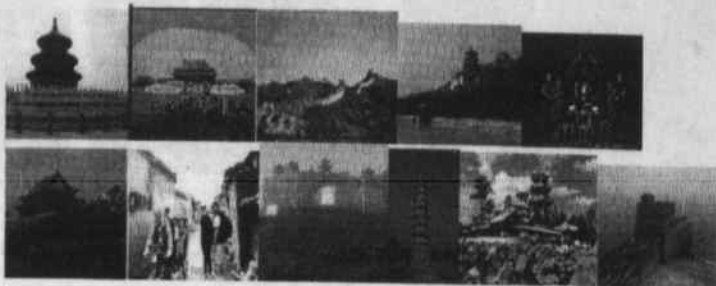
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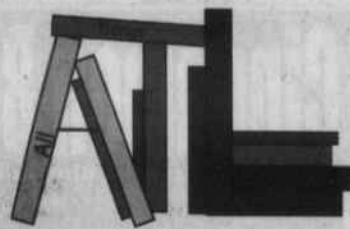
'Sloppy Firsts' reminds reader of high school

Nostalgia, emotional confusion abundant in novel about days of past, emotions

BY ERIN WEIRETER
contributing writer

Remember the days of high school past? No doubt we all have lingering memories — feeling misunderstood by our parents, convincing ourselves any place was better than where we were and spending our time wishing, waiting — and dying to get out.

Maybe the juxtaposition between the varying facets of high school, including dealing with the everyday drama of an exhausting and oftentimes ridiculous social scene and dealing with patronizing teachers, is what made me like Megan McCafferty's "Sloppy Firsts" so much. When I finished reading the book, high school nostalgia hit me hard. Common sense, however, quickly set in and I realized how much better it was



to just visit this place in the pages.

Jess Darling is distraught when her best friend and only confidante, Hope Weaver, moves away from their quiet New Jersey town during her sophomore year of high school. Left to face the daunting and tiring world of high school on her own, Jess starts a diary, writing down every thought and feeling she

has in an effort to fill the void that Hope left.

Her diary entries are a window into the world of anyone who has lost something — or someone — close to them. Jess tries to deal with Hope's absence by throwing herself into her running, forcing herself to hang out with girls she can't stand just to avoid being alone and forming an unlikely attachment to a well-known and mysterious drug user who eventually comes to understand her better than anyone.

Yet, through all this emotional confusion, there is humor. A blurb I saw for this book called it a John Hughes story for the 21st century — it wasn't kidding. Jess is the quintessential Molly Ringwald character. She has moments where she is forgotten by her parents and befriended by eccentrics around her. She has emotional outbursts and anxiety-ridden days. Somehow, she keeps her

sense of humor and sanity through it all.

Most importantly, though, she struggles with the idea of being true to herself, of not letting herself sell out to a high school scene that represents all that she doesn't want to become. Jess deals with her feelings the only way she knows how — by writing diary entries filled with sharp sarcasm and wit, two defense mechanisms that in turn provide endless entertainment for the reader.

This book was the perfect way to revisit high school. I understood everything Jess was going through, but never actually had to feel those emotions again for myself. All I could do was laugh at the memories and sympathize with her. With that said, as much as I appreciate the trip down memory lane, that is as close as I want to get to high school again for a long time.



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A Marriage for the Magazines

BY ASHLEY MCCLELLAND
senior writer

Every little girl has dreams of her perfect wedding. For one JMU student, whose wedding already was planned, winning a bridal magazine contest for a \$45,000 all-expense paid wedding meant giving up a few of her plans, but also having everything paid for.

Senior Casey Pullen is getting married June 24, and she doesn't care if it isn't exactly what she dreamed of. "[My parents] reassured me that ... it might be different than I planned, but they would give Peter and I the money that would have been spent on the wedding to start off with," Pullen said. "When you are faced with starting your first year in a real job and supporting two people, the idea of money to fall back on is very reassuring."

Pullen and her fiancé, senior Peter Wills, met in Roanoke, where they both are from. The two have been dating for more than two years.

"This is probably the biggest thing that has ever happened to either of us," Wills said. "You always see advertisements for these sorts of things, but you never really think you will win. It is amazing that one of the biggest expenses of our lives thus far is completely taken care of."

Greater Virginia Wedding Ideas Bridal Guide held the contest, which Pullen applied for at Harrisonburg's Bridal Impressions.

The bride randomly was selected from seven of the magazine's markets, according to publisher Angeline Shannon. The contest had almost 1,000 people register, and they chose Pullen's name in the drawing.

The \$45,000 dream wedding covers everything from flowers, location and honeymoon, accord-

ing to Shannon. It will be held in June at Ashlawn Highlands in Charlottesville, which is the home of former President James Monroe.

"I had always thought of an indoor reception, but this one will be outdoors. But Ashlawn Highlands is an amazing site — it's historic and absolutely beautiful," Pullen said. "We kept the same time we were originally planning. We are going to have the reception in the evening, so it will be awesome to see the sunset over the mountains in the spring."

Vendors in the local area who advertise with Greater Virginia Wedding Ideas Bridal Guide donated services for the wedding. These include Bridal

Impressions, Best Western, Valley Limo, Amanda's Touch and High Tech Design and Day Spa.

"We are getting a lot of stuff that we would have never thought of to plan for the wedding, such as the day or two before the wedding — we get a limo to ride around with the bridal party and tour vineyards and do wine tasting," Pullen said. "That was a package by Globe Travel, who is also giving a honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas. We also are getting a chocolate fountain for the reception, which I would have never thought of, but I'm sure it will be awesome, and delicious."



KELLY JASPER/senior photographer



KELLY JASPER/senior photographer

Senior Casey Pullen (shown above and left) won a \$45,000 all-expenses paid wedding from Greater Virginia Wedding Ideas Bridal Guide. Pullen will marry fiancé, senior Peter Wills, June 24.

The artist within them



ALEX SIRNEY/senior photographer

Junior Jared Patch takes part in the Faculty Art Exhibit by looking at James Crable's "Recycle Series #3" (background) and Mark Rooker's "There are always a few: Cufflinks and short studs" (in case). The art exhibited featured works from 19 faculty members.

Sex concerns center on psychology

BY JANE YU
contributing writer

Young adults are bombarded with warnings about the physical consequences of unprotected sex, but there also is a world of psychological problems that may result from "hooking up" indiscriminately.

"In life, as we meet people we need to make certain decisions," said David Onestak, the director of the counseling and student development center in Verner House. "Some people we keep on the front porch, some people are allowed in the living room, others are allowed in the kitchen — but only a select few should be taken into the bedroom. My concern is that students often bring in too many people into the bedroom, too early."

Sexual decisions are determined by the nature of the relationship, Onestak said, as well as the nature of the people involved. "Students should look forward 24 hours before making these decisions, and examine how they will feel about what happened later on," he said. He also believes the cause for sexual promiscuity should be taken into account just as much as the effects. "Students who have issues with their security and confidence are vulnerable to begin with, and doing this feeds into the problem. It's like a drug that allows them to mask the problem to begin with," Onestak said.

Sophomore Carolyn Bradford said, "To me, there is no specific right time to have sex ... it's when both people are



equally emotionally attached to one another, and come to a mutual understanding and consent prior to the act."

Bijan Saadatmand, a child and family psychology developmentalist and professor of psychology of human intimacy, believes the frequency of college "hook ups" are related to what he calls, "the psychology of risk taking." Saadatmand explains that young adults tend to believe they are invincible. This belief affects their level of sexual self control, which leads to frequent hookups, and less understanding of the emotional danger they put themselves through.

Saadatmand believes sexual intimacy should only occur within committed relationships. However, he thinks it is normal for college students to have a reasonable level of sexual experimentation — a decision which should be made with prudence. "Someone once said the four most important words in the English language are 'Up to a point.'"

Sophomore Grace Kang said, "I don't think it is possible to have casual sex and not render emotional consequences. Sex was designed so that it should be within marriage, and with only one person."

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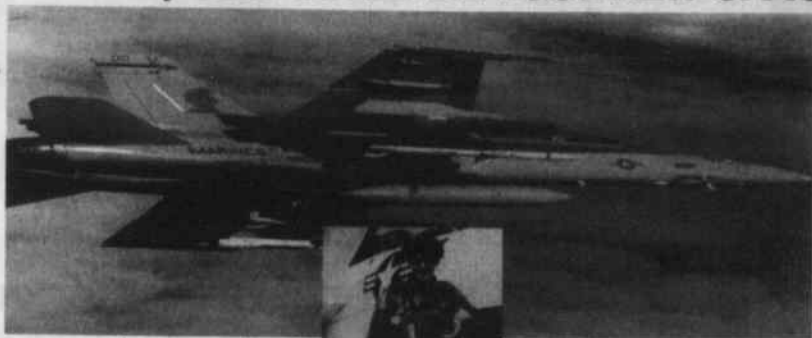
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Zirkle displays two new exhibits to illustrate womanhood, politics

Students describe Cross-Cole's exhibit 'impressive'

By CARA PUGLIESE
contributing writer

Only at Zirkle House Galleries could expressions of womanhood and statements about the FBI collide. And in the next two weeks, Zirkle House will be displaying new exhibits by two JMU student artists.

Between senior Mollie Cross-Cole's exhibit, "My Feminine" and sophomore Walker Tufts's exhibits in the Art Works and Madison Galleries, students visiting Zirkle House will find a lot to talk about.

The two exhibits will run through Nov. 22.

"These prints, drawings and paintings are here to display how I show my feelings and ideas on what it means to be feminine," Cross-Cole writes in her exhibit description.

Cross-Cole's works feature pictures of birds, purses and shoes — symbols of women in both serious and light-hearted ways. Cross-Cole chose muted earthy colors that strongly enhance the natural theme.

Cross-Cole emphasized the importance of women's bodies through her exhibits.

She wrote in her exhibit description, "My women are rounded in the hips but also thin. They are curvy and undoubtedly female, but sturdy and confrontational. This is what it means to me to be feminine: To embrace the softness and the sweetness, and the strength and the confidence."

Gallery assistant and junior Maria Razos likes Cross-Cole's exhibit because "it shows women in every light, not just the magazine stereotype. (The exhibit) portrays women not as the norm, but beautiful in other aspects."

Two of Cross-Cole's most impressive pieces are "Mom with Hat and Flowers" and "Self-Portrait with Birds."

The first depicts an image of Cross-Cole's mother in black and white with a

“
This is what it means to be
feminine: To embrace the
softness and sweetness, and the
strength and confidence.
”

— Mollie Cross-Cole
senior and artist

giant, colorful hat and a huge smile that spreads across her face.

The image makes the viewer feel the happiness, eccentricity and femininity of the subject. "Self-Portrait with Birds" is an alluring painting of Cross-Cole from the shoulders up, with doves entwined in her hair.

The effect of the image on viewers is a woman who is goddess-like, strong and in touch with nature.

Tufts's exhibit in Art Works makes a unique and powerful political statement through his exhibit.

He catches the attention of his viewers by not offering them any art at all. The Art Works room — surprisingly — holds no paintings, sculptures, drawings or photographs.

Rather, his exhibit is a regular white paper sign by the door on which is typed: "The Artwork for this show, 'Four More Years,' has been confiscated by the FBI under the provisions of the Patriot Act."

The exhibit seemed to make an impression on those who viewed the room, with murmurs of "It's a knockout," and "Genius," emanating from the audience.

Gallery Assistant Cassie Ingram said Tufts's idea will evolve throughout the next two weeks, saying, "Keep checking back because evidently it's going to change."



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Seniors Jabarie Brown and Suzanne Fluty take a long look at one of the pieces in Mollie Cross-Cole's exhibit on womanhood. Cross-Cole writes that her works show her "feelings on what it means to be feminine."



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